ATTORNEY GENERAL'S CERTIFICATION

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fy that: The De	epartment of Health & Social Services is the single State agency responsible for:				
<u>X</u>	administering the plan.				
	The legal authority under which the agency administers the plan on a Statewide basis is:				
	AS 47.07.040 (statutory citation)				
	supervising the administration of the plan by local political subdivisions.				
	The legal authority under which the agency supervises the administration of the plan of Statewide basis is contained in				
	(statutory citation)				
	The agency's legal authority to make rules and regulations that are binding on the political subdivisions administering the plan is				
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The Division of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities (DMHDD):

Is responsible for the development and administration of comprehensive programs for the prevention of mental illness and the care and treatment of persons who are mentally ill or have certain types of developmental disabilities. Through community mental health centers, this division administers the program of Pre-Admission Screening and Annual Resident Reviews (PASARR) of the mentally ill in long-term care facilities. This division makes level of care determinations for ICF/MR level of care. Within this division, staff coordinates, or supervises the evaluation of the provision of active treatment to mentally ill and developmentally disabled patients who live in or are seeking admission to nursing homes.

Under an agreement with the division, DMHDD manages three Home and Community Based Care waivers. This division is responsible for intake, assessment and plan of care preparation for waiver applicants, certifying waiver service providers, and monitoring service standards.

The Division of Family and Youth Services:

Is responsible for assessing individual and family social service needs, and for providing for necessary service, directly or by contract or grant. This division administers both the foster children and subsidized adoption programs under Title IV-E. Field staff of this division provide health-related care coordination services to Medicaid-eligible clients, primarily children in the custody of the Department. Services include arranging for health services, acting as liaison between medical providers and foster parents, assisting in using Medicaid, arranging for evaluations, implementing health regimes, developing health plans, and arranging for admission to medical facilities. This division provides administrative oversight for the licensure, quality assurance, certification of need, and re-certification of residential psychiatric treatment facilities.

The Division of Administrative Services:

Is responsible for accounting and federal claiming activities, coordination of budget activities, and public facility and capital budget planning. Within this division, a facilities and planning section is responsible for certificate of need activities as well as a construction licensing program. Through these two activities approval of all hospital and nursing home construction is provided as well as assistance to the licensing and certification unit of the Division of Medical Assistance regarding the compliance of physical requirements for hospital and other medical facilities.

The Division of Medical Assistance:

Is described in Attachment 1.2B.

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The Division of Public Health:

Administers and enforces State health regulations, serves as professional consultant to the public and to local governments, and provides certain direct health services. This division administers the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) and Healthy Baby programs, provides the administrative oversight for home care and the personal care attendant program, is responsible for intensive Nursing Child Assessment Satellite Testing (NCAST) services to prevent child abuse and neglect among Medicaid eligible high risk families, provides preventive services such as immunizations, surveillance of contagious and sexually transmitted diseases and provides for data links between MMIS and Vital Statistics under a memorandum of agreement with the Division of Medical Assistance. Under this agreement EPSDT services are provided by state public health nurses. Blood lead screening and testing and Hemophilus B immunizations are included in the EPSDT screening process. Laboratory tests for a variety of conditions are provided through the section of laboratories. Injury prevention services are offered by the section of Emergency Services.

Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education:

Advisory council to State agencies for issues related to disabilities, special education and the citizens they serve.

Division of Occupational Licensing

Within the Department of Commerce and Economic Development, this agency licenses health care professionals as authorized by statute. The Division of Occupational Licensing is responsible for implementing the training, certification, and registration of nurse aides as required by P.L. 100-203.

Office of Public Advocacy:

Within the Department of Administration, this agency furnishes administrative case management services to medicaid recipients who have been assigned a public guardian by the courts.

Division of Senior Services and Alaska Commission on Aging:

Within the Department of Administration, this Commission administers state and federal grants for programs for the elderly.

Under an agreement with the division, DSS manages one Home and Community Based Care waiver. This division is responsible for intake, assessment and plan of care preparation for the waiver applicants, certifying waiver service providers, and monitoring service standards.

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Department of Education:

Within the Department of Education, the Division of Educational Program Support establishes program and service standards and reviews school-based health services provided through Individualized Educational Plans (IEPs), and the Division of School Finance administers IEP health services and other school-based health services.

These two divisions have developed appropriate standards and compliance requirements for funding of health services delivered by public schools to Medicaid recipients.

Department of Public Safety:

This agency administers functions relative to the protection of life and property and performs Life Safety Code Compliance surveys which are necessary for facility participation in Medicare and Medicaid programs for hospitals, skilled and intermediate care facility programs, intermediate care for the mentally retarded and ambulatory surgical centers.

The agency also maintains an automated fingerprint system and provides background checks on individuals requesting enrollment in the Medicaid Program as Personal Care Attendants to meet the requirements of the Alaska Administrative code 7AAC 43.770 through 7AAC 43.795.

<u>Department of Law - Legal Support Services:</u>

This agency supplies legal services support to the Medicaid agency as needed.

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